

AREA BOARD XIII

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Draft Executive Committee Minutes April 18, 2009

In Attendance: Bill Collins, Sara Fraunces, Lisa Keller, Rigoberto Zavala, Mary Ellen Stives

Excused Absence: Lori Kay

The meeting was called to order at 9:45. The agenda and minutes were approved as submitted.

By-Laws: The By-Laws were discussed, and reviewed in comparison to Area Board's 1, 5, 9 and 10. The only changes suggested were to limit leadership positions to two consecutive one year terms, and to include procedural language regarding expiration of terms. It was suggested that 90 days prior to the expiration of a term, the board chair write to the appointing body and the member regarding the impending expiration. Please review the attached revised language, and a vote will be taken at the next full board meeting.

Review of potential board members: There have been three (3) individuals from the Imperial Valley, and one (1) individual from San Diego who have expressed interest in joining Area Board XIII as Board of Supervisor appointees. Discussion was held regarding our role in their appointments. Mary Ellen stated that it is a courtesy for these individuals to meet with staff and board members, since their appointments are made by either the Board of Supervisors office or the Governor's office. It was suggested that potential candidates be invited to the next full board meeting to answer some questions regarding their interest in joining the board, but this is not permitted. Meetings with potential members should continue to be informational in nature, and nothing more.

Future speakers for Board Meetings: 5 people turned in their surveys for speakers, and one committee member stated her interests at the meeting. Disability Rights California was the leading choice, with Special Needs Planning next. People First, the video "Body and Soul", CCS were next on the interest list, followed by a presentation by the County Board of Education, IHSS, the Service Inclusion Network and SELPA. Lisa suggested that another speaker might be someone regarding incentives for employers to hire people with disabilities. The POST training for law enforcement was also suggested.

Protocol for minutes of committees: Sara had wanted minutes to committee meetings prior to their approval, but after discussing this, it was agreed the minutes would be posted on the scdd.ca.gov website when approved, and not sooner. She also requested that dates for meetings

be included on the agenda under the respective committee, so that will be included when available.

Meeting day/time: The Executive Committee will again be meeting in Pine Valley on the third Thursday of the month that we do not have a full board meeting. We will meet in Major's Restaurant, 28870 Old Highway 80, Pine Valley.

Update on LQA Program: The Life Quality Assessment program has been included in the plan to reduce DDS expenditures by \$100 million. If approved, the LQA and Movers Study will be combined into the National Core Indicator model. This model only surveys 500 consumers per regional center, as opposed to the 10% currently targeted. The information gathered will not be provided to the consumer or family, but will be part of an anonymous report comparing services to other parts of the state and country. There are many questions and concerns about changing to this system, so we will continue to follow this closely.

Old Business – Retreat Report – Discussion: It was requested that a letter be drafted and sent to Dan Clark requesting more information be provided on the SDRC website, such as an organizational chart, and contact information. It was also requested that the results of the focus groups conducted in December of 2007 be shared. It was also suggested that in addition to the regional center doing a brief report at each of our board meetings, individual departments be asked to present at each meeting. The new Demographic Report is now available, and will be brought to the next full board meeting.

The next Executive Committee meeting will be Thursday, June 18th at 6:30 in Pine Valley at Majors Diner, 28870 Old Highway 80, Pine Valley.